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Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)  
Food and Drug Administration  
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061  
Rockville, Maryland 20857-0001

Re: Docket # 98N-1038

Gentlepeople:

It has come to my attention that you want to let the requirement to label irradiated food lapse. That would be a travesty! Irradiated food loses 70-90% of its nutrients and produces toxic by-products and free radicals. We **must** know if the food we want to buy is irradiated or not. Food **must** be clearly labeled as irradiated. Euphemisms such as "electronic pasteurization" or "cold pasteurization" simply will not do.

To say that consumers have "inappropriate anxiety" about irradiated food is insulting. Our anxiety is most appropriate and justifiable. Please do not let the rampant greed of corporations rule your decisions. Please put the welfare of the US citizenry as foremost. After all, what are **you** going to eat? Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
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